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In re Application of: TORRES, Matthew, et al. :
U.S. Application No.: 09/926,094 :
PCT No.: PCT/US00/34535 : DECISION ON REVISED
International Filing Date: 20 December 2000 : DECLARATION
Priority Date: 22 December 1999 :
Attorney's Docket No.: 114122.0115US :
For: FLOW-THRU CHIP CARTRIDGE, CHIP :
HOLDER, SYSTEM AND METHOD THEREOF :

In a decision mailed 15 October 2003, applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) was held moot as a result of applicants' filing a declaration executed by the previously nonsigning inventor Ian Stuart Richard Smith. However, the decision stated that the declaration executed by Mr. Smith was not acceptable under 37 CFR 1.497 because the declaration did not identify the other inventors herein.

On 12 November 2003, applicants filed a response to the 15 October 2003 decision. The submission included a revised declaration executed by Mr. Smith which identifies all the inventors and is acceptable under 37 CFR 1.497. It is noted that the declaration lists an incorrect title and attorney docket number; however, the declaration is considered to adequately identify the application to which it is directed because it properly identifies the application number and filing date (see MPEP § 602).

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the International Division for further processing. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 12 November 2003.

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